UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE: PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE LITIGATION

THIS DOCUMENTS RELATES TO RICE v. ABBOTT LABORATORIES, formerly No. 3:02-cv-03925 (N.D.Cal.), THOMPSON v. ABBOTT LABORATORIES, formerly No. 3:02-cv-04450 (N.D.Cal.), and TURNER v. ABBOTT LABORATORIES, formerly No. 3:02-cv-5006 (N.D.Cal.) MDL NO. 1456

CIVIL ACTION NO. 01-CV-12257-PBS

Judge Patti B. Saris

DEFENDANT FUJISAWA USA'S MOTION TO DISMISS CERTAIN COMPLAINTS AGAINST IT FOR FAILURE OF SERVICE

Defendant Fujisawa USA, Inc. ("Fujisawa"), through undersigned counsel, respectfully requests that the Court dismiss certain complaints against it pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 and Local Rule 4.1. The cases involved are: *Rice v. Abbott Laboratories*, et al., Thompson v. Abbott Laboratories, et al., and Turner v. Abbott Laboratories, et al.

Plaintiffs in those matters have not perfected service on Fujisawa, although the time within which service was to be completed has long since lapsed. Plaintiffs have filed no motion for leave for an extension of time to serve, and can show no good cause for failing to perfect service. The Court should dismiss the complaints identified above based on this failure.

In support of its Motion to Dismiss, Fujisawa relies on the accompanying Memorandum of Law.



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